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Applicant :

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HUMAN CYLOOXYGENASE-2 CDNA AND

ASSAYS FOR EVALUATING CYCLOOXY-

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action mailed March 10, 2005, setting forth a shortened statutory period for response ending June 10, 2005. Reconsideration of Applicants claims is requested. Any additional fees required in connection with this application may be taken from Merck Deposit Account number 13-2755.

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this Response.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the date appearing below.

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